

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the claims:

1. (currently amended) A tool unit for a handheld power tool having an oscillating output unit, comprising:
 - a fastening means ~~(3)~~ for attachment to the output unit;
 - a working edge having a first end and a second end opposite the first end ~~(4)~~; and
 - a first lateral boundary line ~~(7, 12, 16)~~,wherein the working edge transitions at the first end into the first lateral boundary line and forms with the first lateral boundary line at the first end a cutting angle of less than or equal to 95°,
 - wherein the working edge ~~(4)~~ is arc-shaped, and
 - wherein the working edge extends with respect to a center of the fastening means over an angle being between 180° 30° and 270°.
2. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 1,
wherein the arc-shaped working edge ~~(4)~~ is constituted by the circumference of a circle around whose center point the fastening means ~~(3)~~ is situated.
3. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 1, wherein the working edge transitions at the second end into a second lateral boundary line.

the working edge forming an angle of less than or equal to 95° at at least one of the first and second ends with the respective lateral boundary line. ~~at least one end of the working edge (4) is situated at an angle (10) of less than or equal to 95° in relation to at least one of the first lateral boundary line and a second lateral boundary line (8, 13, 17).~~

4. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 1, wherein the working edge (4) is constituted by ~~the circumference section~~ a sector of a circle concentric with the fastening means and transitions at the second end into a second lateral boundary line. ~~sector (11) and each of the two ends of the working edge (4) is situated at an angle in relation to a respective lateral boundary line (12, 13) extending in the radial direction.~~

5. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 4, wherein the first and second lateral boundary lines intersect at the center. ~~circle sector (11) extends over an angular range of between 30° and 270°.~~

6. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 4, wherein the ~~radially extending~~ first and second boundary lines (12, 13) extend radially and are connected to each other by a connecting contour (14) ~~before they reach the center point.~~

7. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 1, wherein the working edge is constituted by a segment of a circle and transitions at the second end into a second lateral boundary line, the first and second lateral boundary lines lying on a straight line. ~~(4) is constituted by the circumference of a circle segment (24) and each of the two ends of the working edge (4) is situated at an angle in relation to a respective lateral boundary line (16, 17), each of which is essentially constituted by the straight section of the circle segment (24).~~

8. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 1, wherein the working edge ~~(4)~~ is provided with saw teeth.

9. (currently amended) The tool unit as recited in claim 2, ~~having~~ further comprising a second lateral boundary line, wherein the working edge (4) is constituted by the circumference of a circle segment ~~(24)~~, and a first end of the working edge transitions in the first lateral boundary line, wherein ~~[[a]]~~ the second end of the working edge transitions into the second lateral boundary line, wherein the first lateral boundary line extends in a first radial direction and the second lateral boundary line extends in a second radial direction, wherein the fastening means is constituted by an aperture, wherein the first lateral boundary line comprises at least a straight part, and wherein at least one end of said working edge is situated at an angle of less than or equal to 90° in relation to said partially straight first lateral boundary line on at least one side.

10. (previously presented) The tool unit as recited in claim 6, wherein the fastening means is constituted by an aperture.

11. (currently amended) A tool unit for a handheld power tool having an oscillating output unit, comprising:

a fastening means ~~(3)~~ for attachment to the output unit;

a working edge having a first end and a second end opposite the first end
~~(4)~~; and

a first lateral boundary line and a second lateral boundary line, the first and second lateral boundary lines lying on a straight line,

wherein the working edge transitions into the first and the second lateral boundary lines at the first end and the second end respectively ~~(12, 13)~~,

wherein the working edge forms with the first lateral boundary line at the first end a cutting angle of less than or equal to 95°, ~~(4) is arc-shaped,~~

wherein the working edge ~~(4)~~ is constituted by ~~the circumference of a circle segment~~ of a circle, and ~~(24) and each of the two ends of the working edge (4) is situated at an angle in relation to one of the lateral boundary lines (16, 17), each of which is essentially constituted by the straight section of the circle segment (24),~~

wherein the fastening means ~~(3)~~ is constituted by an aperture.

12. (withdrawn) A method with a tool unit for a handheld power tool, wherein the handheld power tool comprises an oscillating output unit, having a fastening means (3) for attachment to the output unit, and having a working edge (4) and a first and a second solid lateral boundary contour, wherein the working edge transitions into a first lateral boundary line, wherein the working edge (4) is arc-shaped, wherein the first lateral boundary line is built of the first solid lateral boundary contour, wherein the first lateral boundary line is partially straight, wherein at least one end of said working edge is situated at an angle of less than or equal to 90° in relation to said first lateral boundary line on at least one side, wherein the arc-shaped working edge (4) is constituted by the circumference of a circle around whose center point the fastening means (3) is situated, wherein the working edge (4) is constituted by the circumference of a circle segment (24), and a first end of the working edge transitions in the first lateral boundary contour, wherein a second end of the working edge transitions into a second lateral boundary line, wherein the second lateral boundary line is built of the second solid lateral boundary contour, wherein the first lateral boundary line extends in a first radial direction and the second lateral boundary line extends in a second radial direction, and wherein the fastening means is constituted by an aperture, wherein in a vertical guide, as the tool unit advances along one of the lateral boundary lines, the deepest point of the advancing motion is situated in the corner between the arc-shaped working edge and said lateral boundary line

and between the bottom of the guide and the lateral cut edge, there is no longer any residual cross-section of the work piece since the cutting action is executed here, too, due to the selected geometry of the tool unit.